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1. The Polish Ministry of Communications has issued a series of regulations concerning means of increasing the transport of coal from the mines. This drive is being run parallel to the one for increasing exports of coal to the USSR. In compliance with the regulations, provisionally adapted flat cars (wagony przestrzenne) have been introduced. To date, a few hundred have been placed in daily operation.
2. The number of coal cars loaded with coal and coke was 10,000 per day at the beginning of April 1951. Coal cars due for repairs in the second half of 1950, and withdrawn from service, have been put back into operation without overhaul, thus increasing rolling stock by 20 percent.
3. Another regulation orders the weight of coal loads to be increased up to the maximum allowed per car. The increase in the quantity of coal thus obtained would amount to 375-450 car loads per day.
4. The following represent coal consumption figures for the first three months of 1951:
 - a. Exports to:

	tons
Soviet Zone of Germany	1,100,000
Czechoslovakia	(approx) 1,000,000
USSR	10,500,000
<div></div> countries	360,000
Total exports	(approx) 12,960,000
 - b. Home market consumption (approx) 6,000,000
 - c. Mines' own consumption (approx) 550,000
| Total consumption | (approx) 19,510,000 |
5. Great stress is laid on putting new galleries into operation, and in decreasing the mines' own consumption to 2 1/2 percent of production. It is believed that the latter course is not possible under conditions obtaining in the mines today. Unless new workings are put into operation, a critical situation for home market requirements will arise.

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